(d) Our export incentive schemes like Duty Drawback cannot be considered as subsidies as they are meant for rebating indirect taxes and import duties on the imported inputs to be used for production of export products and are WTO compatible.

Security arrangements at IGIA

*11. SHRI ABANI ROY:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the BCAS at IGIA has recently conducted a security audit and recommended steps to prevent serious breach of security;

(b) if so, Government's reaction on such recommendations;

(c) whether the security arrangements around IGIA are inadequate to face any terrorists threat; and

(d) if so, the plans formulated to strengthen the security arrangements around IGIA in the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) to (d) As a part of the ongoing process, the IGI Airport was inspected recently by BCAS officials. The security arrangements at the airport are adequate, and no major shortcomings have been noticed. However, all concerned agencies have once again been sensitized to the need for maintaining utmost security. The existing instructions about access control, perimeter security, Quick Reaction Teams, pre-embarkation security checks, screening of registered baggage, handling of cargo have been reiterated.

Minimum Support Price for Coffee

*12. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce Minimum Support Price (MSP) for coffee;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the practice of declaring MSP for coffee is likely to start?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) No, Sir.
(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Instalment of Dearness Allowance

*13. SHRI RAJU PARMAR:
SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the next instalment of Dearness Allownace/Dearness Relief to the Central Government Employees/ Pensioners has become due w.e.f. 1st January, 2002;

(b) if so, the details of increase to be given to the Central Government Employees/Pensioners; and

(c) by when Government will take a final decision in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) to (c) Dearness Allowance to Central Government employees is revised twice a year from 1st January and 1st July payable with the salary for the months of March and September respectively. The instalment due from 1st January normally becomes payable with the salary for the month of March, paid in April. Dearness Relief to Pensioners is interlinked with Dearness Allowance and is likewise payable. The decision in the matter will be taken well in time.